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**Testimony of  
CARTY S. CHANG  
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**Before the House Committee on  
WATER & LAND**

**Friday, April 17, 2015  
11:05 AM  
State Capitol, Room 325**

**In consideration of  
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 44, SENATE DRAFT 2  
REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO  
SUBMIT A REPORT ON LIPOA POINT**

Senate Concurrent Resolution 44, Senate Draft 2 requests the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) to submit a report to the Legislature on Lipoa Point. **The Department offers the following comments.**

The Department appreciates the opportunity to provide the Legislature with its recommendations on this issue. If this resolution is adopted, the Department will submit a report as requested, including recommendations on: 1) the feasibility of establishing a Lipoa Point Management Council, 2) the resources required to protect and preserve Lipoa Point and 3) any proposed legislation. However, in the interim, the Department continues to expend its limited financial resources to implement interim management measures for public health and safety purposes. Accordingly, it is the Department's priority to support legislative action to allocate general fund revenues to assist with the ongoing management of the Lipoa Point property, as well as funding for a long term management plan.

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**In SUPPORT  
SCR 44 SD2**

**Requesting the Department of Land and Natural Resources to submit a report to the Legislature on Lipoa Point.**

SCR 44 SD 2 requests that the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) to submit a report to the Legislature on Lipoa Point. AMAC supports this resolution as it gives DLNR the opportunity to provide the Legislature with its recommendations on this issue.

DLNR is already exploring options of protecting, preserving, improving and sustaining the area's natural and cultural condition both on land and in the ocean. They continue to provide support for the community including native Hawaiian cultural participation and access.

The AMAC works with moku and ahupua'a communities through the Aha Moku System (System), a traditional land and ocean management system that dates from the 9<sup>th</sup> century and has been restored by the kupuna practitioners of each island. Through this System, generational resource knowledge and methodology is shared with the site-specific communities of the ahupua'a as well as with the DLNR to whom the AMAC is attached.

In the moku system, as practiced by the AMAC per §171.4-5, the native Hawaiian resource practitioners who have the generational knowledge of the land and ocean resources of Lipoa Point are from the Honolua and Honokohau Ahupua'a of the Ka'anapali Moku. These generational practitioners have been working with the DLNR divisions and bring forth empirical resource and cultural knowledge of Lipoa Point that will strengthen a proposed management plan. Thus, we ask that in the last "Be it further resolved" clause, certified copies of this concurrent resolution be transmitted to the Ka'anapali Moku of the Island of Maui instead of to the currently listed Aha Moku Council of Maui.